

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: 11/30/23

TO: Prospective and Enrolled Students in the Physical Therapist Assistant Program at The Praxis Institute

FROM: Dr. Khan, PTA Program Director, PTA Program Faculty and The Praxis Administration

SUBJECT: Show Cause – Probationary Accreditation Status

On 11/30/23 the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) issued a Show Cause notice to the physical therapist/physical therapist assistant education program at The Praxis Institute. CAPTE reached this decision after a thorough review of all relevant materials. The deficiencies have been clearly identified in CAPTE's Summary of Action.

Show Cause shall be considered notice of impending Withdrawal of Accreditation if evidence of sufficient improvement is not submitted by the institution prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of CAPTE.

Show Cause shall be used only when an established program's status is Probationary Accreditation and CAPTE judges that there is clear evidence of continuing circumstances that jeopardize the ability of the institution to sustain an accredited program and that the institution has not been able to mitigate. Show Cause shall be in effect only until the next regularly scheduled meeting of CAPTE at which time CAPTE will act on the information available to it.

In the interest of the public trust that the accreditation process serves, all enrolled and prospective students are hereby notified that a statement of Show Cause has been issued to the physical therapist assistant education program at The Praxis Institute on 11/30/23. When Show Cause is used, the program will be provided with a statement of the reasons for possible withdrawal and asked for additional information, in the form of a Compliance Report, for consideration at the next CAPTE meeting. The program's probationary accreditation status will remain unchanged until action is taken at the next meeting.

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program at The Praxis Institute has been issued this probationary status due to failure of CAPTE section IC2 – Failure to show NPTE passage rates for 2 years above 85% for the cohorts of 2019-2020 to present. The PTA faculty, along with The Praxis Administration are supporting intensive remediation of all students from 2019-2023 to assist them with passing the NPTE exam. We are hopeful our strategies will show significant improvements by the next CAPTE meeting in 2024.

A copy of this letter and a list of all individuals to whom it has been distributed are being sent to CAPTE at its request. CAPTE expects that the program will provide students with accurate information about the program's status of Probationary Accreditation and reasonable information about the identified deficiencies. In addition, CAPTE reserves the right to disclose the Probationary Accreditation- status to the public. Should you have any questions regarding the accreditation status of this program, please contact the institution or the Department of Accreditation, Commission on Accreditation in Physical

Therapy Education, American Physical Therapy Association, 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085.